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Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825, that accompanied the Office Action mailed October 16, 2001, Applicants submit herewith the required paper copy and computer readable copy of the Substitute Sequence Listing. A petition to extend the time for response for one month, from November 16, 2001 to December 16, 2001, is submitted herewith. Also enclosed for the Examiner's convenience is a marked copy of the amendment submitted July 2, 2001. Please amend the specification and claims as follows.